

United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service



Georgia Crop Progress & Condition Report

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General: According to the National Agriculture Statistics Service's Georgia Field Office, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, November 18, 2012. Statewide topsoil moisture was rated at 28% very short, 39% short, 33% adequate, 0% surplus. Subsoil moisture 34% very short, 38% short, 28% adequate, 0% surplus. Precipitation estimates for the state ranged from no rain up to 1.5 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the high 50's to the mid 70's. Average low temperatures ranged from the low 30's to the low 60's.

Crop Progress							
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Yr Avg			
	Percent						
Cotton – Harvested	73	62	77	70			
Oats - Planted	50	47	76	73			
Onions - Transplanted	16	8	23	19			
Pecans – Harvested	60	46	53	52			
Rye – Planted	62	56	71	74			
Sorghum – Harvested	70	64	58	69			
Soybeans – Harvested	79	63	58	59			
Winter Wheat – Planted	38	32	46	41			

Crop Condition							
Crop	VP	Р	F	G	EX		
	Percent						
Oats	4	13	65	18	0		
Range and Pasture	11	30	37	20	2		
Rye	3	15	61	21	0		

VP- Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX- Excellent

County Extension Comments

"Winter crops are looking excellent to fair, could still use more rain. Soil seems to dry out very quickly, we need a good slow rain for a few days to really help recharge the subsoil moisture."

Keith Mickler, Floyd County, District 10

"Dry conditions continue with only minimal rainfall. Subsoil moisture is very low."

Charles Rice, Hart County, District 30

"Very dry! Did receive rain last week. 1/2 inch to 1.5 inches depending upon where you were in the county. Grain planting going slowly due to lack of moisture. Summer crop harvesting winding down."

Raymond Joyce, Laurens County, District 50

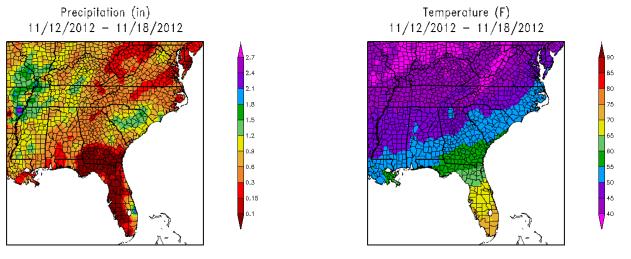
"Very low rainfall from late September through the end of October has left Putnam County pastures in dire condition. Drought conditions have hindered planting of forage rye, forage wheat and ryegrass. Stand densities are thin where winter forage crops have received small amounts of rainfall."

Keith Fielder, Putnam County, District 50

"Getting a little rain. This will help small grains but delay harvest. Still need more rain. Yields for cotton and peanuts thus far have been exceptional."

Mark Von Waldner, Atkinson County, District 80

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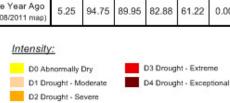
U.S. Drought Monitor

November 13, 2012

Valid 7 a.m. EST

Georgia

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)						
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	
Current	9.02	90.98	59.92	49.22	27.24	13.53	
Last Week (11/06/2012 map)	11.09	88.91	55.17	42.56	26.70	13.98	
3 Months Ago (08/14/2012 map)	30.90	69.10	57.36	45.36	37.67	16.98	
Start of Calendar Year (12/27/2011 map)	12.07	87.93	85.36	81.00	63.92	0.00	
Start of Water Year (09/25/2012 map)	37.30	62.70	52.44	42.66	34.04	17.18	
One Year Ago (11/08/2011 map)	5.25	94.75	89.95	82.88	61.22	0.00	



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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